

B131

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Evaluate

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(m-n)^2}{mn(m+1)^2(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)}$$

Solution 1 by proposer.

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+1} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} = 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} \\
&\quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} = 1 \\
\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(i+1)(i+2)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i+1} - \frac{1}{i+2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+2} \\
&\quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \\
\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+2)} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{i(i+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(i+2)-i}{i(i+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i} - \frac{1}{i+2} \right) = \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-2} - \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) = \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) \\
&\quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{3}{4} \\
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} - \frac{1}{1^2} \right) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 \\
\Omega &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(m-n)^2}{mn(m+1)^2(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} = \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m-n}{mn(m+1)(n+1)} \cdot \frac{m-n}{(m+1)(m+2)(n+1)(n+2)} = \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m(n+1) - n(m+1)}{mn(m+1)(n+1)} \cdot \frac{(m+1)(n+2) - (m+2)(n+1)}{(m+1)(m+2)(n+1)(n+2)} = \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n(m+1)} - \frac{1}{m(n+1)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{(n+1)(m+2)} - \frac{1}{(m+1)(n+2)} \right) \stackrel{\text{Binet-Cauchy}}{=} 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2 \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)} \right) \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)(n+2)} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+2)} \right) \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right) = \\
&= 2 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2} - 2 \cdot \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 \right) = 1 - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \frac{3}{2} = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4} = \frac{10 - \pi^2}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Observation.

Binet-Cauchy's identity:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{If } a_i, b_i, x_i, y_i > 0, i = \overline{1, n} \text{ then:} \\
&\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (a_i b_j - a_j b_i) (x_i y_j - x_j y_i) = \\
&= 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i y_i \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i y_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i x_i \right) \\
&\text{For } a_i = \frac{1}{i}, b_i = \frac{1}{i+1}, x_i = \frac{1}{i+1}, y_i = \frac{1}{i+2} \\
&\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{i(j+1)} - \frac{1}{j(i+1)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{(i+1)(j+2)} - \frac{1}{(j+1)(i+2)} \right) = \\
&= 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+1)} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(i+1)(i+2)} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i(i+2)} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(i+2)^2} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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Solution 2 by Rana Ranino - Setif - Algerie.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(m-n)^2}{mn(m+1)^2(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} \\
\Omega &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m}{(m+1)^2(m+2)} + \\
&+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m(m+1)^2(m+2)} - \\
&- 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)^2(m+2)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{By Symmetry: } \Omega &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m}{(m+1)^2(m+2)} - \\
&- 2 \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \right)^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_1 &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{m}{(m+1)^2(m+2)} = 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{m+1} - \frac{1}{m+2} \right) - \\
&- \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m+1)^2} = 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Omega_2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) -$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = \frac{3}{2} + 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{3} = \frac{7}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \\
\Omega_3 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n+2} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) + \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 = \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{3}{2} \\
\Omega &= \left(2 - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) \left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{3}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \\
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{(m-n)^2}{nm(n+1)^2(m+1)^2(n+2)(m+2)} &= \frac{5}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

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Solution 3 by Ankush Kumar Parcha - India.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{We have } & \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(n-m)^2}{nm(n+1)^2(m+1)^2(n+2)(m+2)} \\
\therefore \xrightarrow{\text{symmetry}} & 2 \sum_{n,m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{n}{m(n+1)^2(m+1)^2(n+2)(m+2)} - 2 \left(\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \right)^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{Note section (1)}}{=} 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \mathcal{L}_n^{-1} \left\{ \frac{n}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \right\}(x) dx \\
& \cdot \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{e^y - 1} \mathcal{L}_m^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{m(m+1)^2(m+2)} \right\}(y) dy - \\
& - 2 \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{e^z - 1} \mathcal{L}_n^{-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \right\}(z) dz \right)^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{Note section (2)}}{=} 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{xe^{-2x} + 2e^{-3x} - 2e^{-2x}}{1 - e^{-x}} dx \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{1 - e^{-y}} \left(ye^{-2y} + \frac{e^{-3y}}{2} - \frac{e^{-y}}{2} \right) dy - \\
& - 2 \left(\int_0^\infty \frac{ze^{-2z} + e^{-3z} - e^{-2z}}{1 - e^{-z}} dz \right)^2 \\
& \stackrel{\text{Note section (3)}}{=} 2 \left(\zeta(2, 2) - 2 \int_0^\infty e^{-2x} dx \right) \left(\zeta(2, 2) + \int_0^\infty d \left(\frac{e^{-2y}}{4} + \frac{e^{-y}}{2} \right) \right) \\
& - 2 \left(\zeta(2, 2) - \int_0^\infty e^{-2z} dz \right) \Rightarrow 2(\zeta(2) - 2) \left(\zeta(2) - \frac{7}{4} \right) - 2 \left(\zeta(2) - \frac{3}{2} \right)^2 \\
& \therefore \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \xrightarrow{\text{Note Section}} \frac{\pi^4}{18} - \frac{5\pi^2}{4} + 7 - \frac{\pi^4}{18} + \pi^2 - \frac{9}{2} \\
& \Rightarrow \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(n-m)^2}{nm(n+1)^2(m+1)^2(n+2)(m+2)} = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Note Section

1. $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{L}_t \{f(t)\}(n) = \int_0^\infty \frac{f(t)}{e^t - 1} dt$ (Maz. sum identity)

2. $\mathcal{L}_x\{x^n e^{ax}\}(s) = \frac{n!}{(s-a)^{n+1}}, n \in \mathbb{N} \wedge \Re(s) > \Re(a)$
 3. $\int_0^\infty \frac{t^{n-1} e^{-mt}}{1-e^{-t}} dt = \Gamma(n) \cdot \zeta(n, m), \Re(n) > 1 \wedge \Re(m) > 0$

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Solution 4 by Ravi Prakash - New Delhi - India.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Let } a_{m,n} &= \frac{(m-n)^2}{mn(m+1)^2(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} \\
 &= \frac{(m+1)^2 + (n+1)^2 - 2(m+1)(n+1)}{mn(m+1)^2(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{mn(n+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} + \frac{1}{mn(m+1)^2(m+2)(n+2)} - \\
 &\quad - \frac{2}{(mn(m+1)(n+1)(m+2)(n+2))} \\
 S &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{mn} \\
 &= 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m(m+2)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} - 2 \left[\sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m(m+1)(m+2)} \right]^2 \\
 &= \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{m} - \frac{1}{m+2} \right) \right] \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} \right] - 2 \left[\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m(m+1)(m+2)} \right]^2 \\
 &= \frac{3}{2} A_1 - 2A_2^2
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_1 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)^2(n+2)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2[(n+1)^2 - 1]} \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(n+1)^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2(n+2)} - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \\
 &= \frac{3}{4} - \left(\frac{\pi^2}{6} - 1 \right) = \frac{7}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_2 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{2}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1} \right) - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} \right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{7}{4} - \frac{\pi^2}{6} \right) - 2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{21}{8} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{\pi^2}{4} = \frac{5}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4} \end{aligned}$$

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